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C O N F I D E N T I A L HELSINKI 2981

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: KHMER REPRESENTATION AT 28TH GA: NORDIC
POSITION

REF: USUN 5297, STATE 236134

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS IN REFTELS,
POLITICAL OFFICER CONTACTED DR. KEIJO KORHONEN,
DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLITICAL SECTION OF FINNISH FOREIGN
MINISTRY, CONCERNING QUESTION OF DEFERRING KHMER
REPRESENTATION ISSUE.

2. KORHONEN UNAWARE EFFORT FOR DEFERMENT BEING MADE.
WITHOUT COMMITTING GOF, HE APPEARED INTERESTED AND
POSITIVELY INCLINED, AND SAID THAT HE WOULD LOOK INTO
MATTER AND TAKE IT UP WITH HIS SUPERIORS. KORHONEN
SEIZED UPON ARGUMENT THAT DEFERMENT WOULD ALLOW
FURTHER TIME FOR CLARIFICATION OF ACTUAL EXTENT OF
CONTROL BY COMPETING GROUPS IN CAMBODIA AND WOULD
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LEAVE DOOR OPEN FOR POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT. HE CARE-

FULLY NOTED LIKELY DANISH SUPPORT OF DEFERMENT.

3. WHAT KORHONEN WAS IN EFFECT SAYING WAS THAT FINNS ARE ALWAYS HAPPY TO BE OFF THE HOOK ON CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES, ESPECIALLY IF THIS CAN BE DONE IN GOOD COMPANY; I.E., WITH FELLOW NORDICS. WE THEREFORE FEEL THAT (A) FINNS ARE NOT ADVERSE TO IDEA OF DEFERMENT, AND (B) WILL DECIDE LARGELY ON BASIS OF WHAT OTHER NORDICS PLAN TO DO.

4. WE HAVE LEARNED THAT JAPANESE AMBASSADOR WILL BE SEEING CHIEF OF FOREIGN MINISTRY POLITICAL SECTION "AS SOON AS POSSIBLE" AND WILL ALSO BE PUSHING FOR FINNISH SUPPORT ON DEFERMENT.

5. WE WILL OF COURSE INFORM THE DEPARTMENT AND USUN OF ANY FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS ON THIS END, BUT EXPECT THAT FINNISH UN REP WILL HAVE FINAL WORD BEFORE WE DO. KREHBIEL

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